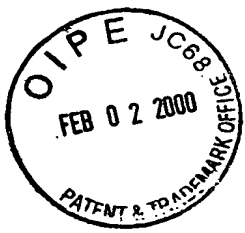


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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Victor A. KONOVALOV, et al. GAU: TBA  
SERIAL NO: 09/446,330 EXAMINER: TBA  
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FOR: LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY WITH WIDE VIEWING ANGLE AND  
METHOD FOR MAKING IT

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
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SIR:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claims 3, 7 and 15, without prejudice, and add new claims 17-70 as follows.

- 17. A liquid crystal display device comprising:
- first and second substrates;
  - a liquid crystal layer having a first dielectric constant between the first and second substrates; and
  - a material having a second dielectric constant over the first substrate, the material extending into the liquid crystal layer.
18. A liquid crystal display device according to claim 17, further comprising a transparent conductive layer between the first substrate and the material.

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